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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

- 5 In the U.S. National Phase Entry
Under 35 USC 371 from
International Application of
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10 Entitled: *Fabric Care Composition and Method*

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

- 15 Dear Sir:

Please enter the following amendments.

Please cancel without prejudice claims 7, 45, 71 and 94 and amend claims 1, 35, 38, 43-44, 46-49, 51-52, 54, 60-64, 66, 70, 72-74, 78, 80, 82, 84, 86, and 88 as follows.

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1. (Amended) A fabric care composition comprising:

(A) an effective amount of fabric care polysaccharide with globular structure and having a backbone comprising at least some 1, 3- β -glycosidic linkages for providing a fabric with at least one of the following fabric care benefits: wrinkle removal, wrinkle reduction, wrinkle resistance, fabric wear reduction, fabric wear resistance, fabric pilling reduction, fabric color maintenance, fabric color fading reduction, fabric color restoration, fabric soiling reduction, fabric soil release, fabric shape retention, and/or fabric shrinkage reduction;

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(B) optionally, from about 0.01% to about 20%, by weight of the composition, of adjunct fabric care oligosaccharide, selected from the group consisting of oligosaccharides, oligosaccharide mixtures, substituted versions of said oligosaccharides and/or mixtures, derivatised versions of said oligosaccharides and/or mixtures, and mixtures thereof;

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(C) optionally, to remove and/or reduce wrinkles, an effective amount of adjunct wrinkle control agent, selected from the group consisting of fiber lubricant, adjunct fabric shape retention polymer, lithium salts, and mixtures thereof;

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